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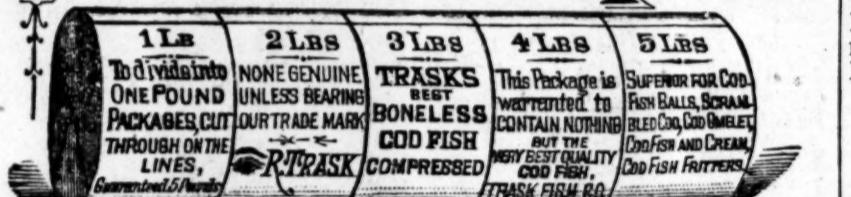
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GUILTY.

Carry's Slayer Found Guilty of Murder in the First Degree.

A Strong Defense Presented—The Closing Scenes—The Great Suffering to Which Hicks Pasha's Soldiers Were Subjected During the Battle With the False Prophet's Forces—Cablegrams.

London, December 1.—O'Donnell found guilty.—**London, December 1.—**After the examination of his direct examination and upon the reassembling of the court after luncheon yesterday afternoon, young Carey was found guilty. His testimony was contradictory; for instance, he admitted that his statement at the Barr street examination, that Parish came from the cable when the first shot was fired, was untrue. He declared that O'Donnell had been present at the trial, and that the other witnesses said it was with him. He finally admitted that he was in doubt as to which hand was used. He denied telling Walter Young at Port Elizabeth that his father had his pistol when killed.

MRS. CAREY, ON THE STAND, repeated the testimony she gave at the preliminary examination, and repeated that O'Donnell was present at the trial. The cross-examination developed nothing new.

Marks testified to seeing the shooting. He said O'Donnell was quiet, whereas Carey appeared to be excited. There was no pistol in Carey's hand.

Robert Thomas Caplin, a passenger, testified that when he showed O'Donnell a picture of Carey in the Freeman Journal, O'Donnell said, "I'll have you." On cross-examination he said, "I'll have you."—**Cross-examination** he said that he was a member of the Port Elizabeth cab driver, was called for the defense. He testified that he frequently drove the Carey family around Port Elizabeth, and they ought to know him. When Mrs. Carey and her son, Tom, died it was PANIC-STRIKE.

He said to Tom, "Carey is at Port Elizabeth, 'You are a fair fellow, why don't you shoot O'Donnell when he shot your father?'" Tom answered, "I had no revolver." I went to get it, but when I went there it was gone, because my father had it!" Witness had mentioned this to other cab drivers. His cross-examination did not materially change his testimony. No other witness was called for the defense, and Russell began his address to the jury.

RUSSELL VITED THE JURY. In considering the case, to dismiss from their minds all they may have read upon the subject of the killing of Carey. The prisoner did not deny the shooting of Carey. The question for the consideration of the jury was, "Did he do it under a reasonable apprehension of his life?" If so, they should acquit him. It was a case of self-defense and only under a threat of personal violence, they could not convict him of murder, although it might not be possible to let him go free altogether. The statement is utterly false that O'Donnell went on board the steamer Kinfauns Castle to track Carey like a sleuth hound at the bidding of a secret society. Russell said these.

PRYOR TESTIFIED FOR CHARGE. which he was fully discharged. Judge Denman remarked that the counsel was hardly promoting the interests of his client. He could trust the jury not to be influenced by anything except the evidence given in court. Russell then continued his address. He compared O'Donnell, who was an honest, hard-working man, with Carey.

WHO WAS A VILLAIN, excreted by the people, unprincipled by the Queen, and known to be cruel, treacherous and despotic. He had no right to live. He would not likely denounce him, and would not without scruple resort to any weapon to overawe or kill him, who, in all his murderous conspiracies, took care of his own life? It was unreasonable to suppose that if O'Donnell had premeditated the murder of Carey he would have committed it in the presence of several witnesses.

PRYOR TESTIFIED A HAND.

London, December 1.—After half past 8 o'clock this morning the roof of the Masonic Temple at Twenty-third street and Sixth avenue was discovered to be on fire, and before the engines reached the spot great volumes of smoke belched from the windows in the asylum of the Knights Templar. The mansard story, just below the roof and dome, took up most of the space, and the flames, which darted high up in the air. The fire engines came tearing to the scene a few minutes later, and the fire was soon under control. The remains of some party traveling with a cavalry escort, but there is no record of any such missing expedition."

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1883.

AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.

OLYMPIA—Sol Smith Russell—"Edgewood Folks."

GRAND—Modjeska—"Twelfth Night."

POPE'S—Minnie Madern—"Furian Maid."

PEOPLE'S—"Devil's Auction."

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The gas question is one which needs to be considered deliberately.

The Georgia delegation refuse to wear the collar of their local railway bosses.

The RANDALL men are beginning to wonder whether Cox can make a trade.

Why does Mr. Rouse wish to mortgage the city to a gas company six years after date?

After all, the alleged flop of the Atlanta Constitution was only one of its numerous jests. It is the Yorick of newspapers

It is a little bit previous, to say the least, for a City Council to grant a franchise in 1884 that will not go into effect until 1890.

The attempt to hand over the Democratic victory to the Republican minority in Congress is rapidly developing symptoms of collapse.

Before the year 1890 comes around we shall know a great deal more about the gas situation than we do now. There is no necessity for the city bartering away its future.

The Ulema of Mecca has denounced EL MANDI as an impostor, but the Elab of Khartoum says that the Ulema of Mecca does not know as much about EL MANDI as he does.

The 325 members of the House are politically classified as follows: Democrats, 196; Republicans, 119; Readjusters, 6; Independent Democrat, 1; Independent Republican, 1; Greenback, 1.

All of the Missouri members have declared for CARLISLE except GRAVES and BURNES, who say they are for COX and O'NEILL, who says he is for MORRISON. The delegation is solid for CLARK for Clerk of the House.

JOE JEFFERSON is recovering his voice. The next time such an affliction is chronicled we hope it will fall upon any one rather than "Rip." We know of a dozen actors who could confer a favor on the world by losing their voices.

MAHONE's bloody shirt howl in Virginia is simply a bluff to prevent the Democrats of Congress from demanding an investigation of Federal interference in that election. They are not scared, and the probability is that the investigation will make MAHONE and ARTHUR both sick.

A statue of the goddess of Justice in New York's capital scared a colored man almost to death recently, and the white politicians are laughing at him because he mimicked it for a spoof. If the goddess herself should put in an appearance she would scare worse than the colored man.

It is unfortunate that most of the rich men of St. Louis are interested in the St. Louis Gas Company. If patriotism went with wealth, a company could be organized in twenty-four hours which would offer the city a million dollars for the privilege which the Water Gas Company proposes to get for the asking.

The property-owners along the line of the Elevated Railway are alarmed about the prospective injury to their property, should that great improvement be completed. The only danger ahead is that the project may fail and their property then be compelled to wait ten years for an advance in value which the railroad would bring in six months.

A FEW seedy hounds raised a howl for RANDALL, and tried to pass it off as the voice of the "Business Interests." But the "Business Interests" refused to "line in," and the old familiar squeak of the treasury rats has foisted the public this time. The fact that RANDALL's rule wiped out a huge Democratic majority in Congress, is not forgotten, and the real business interests of this country refuse to let him do it again.

GEN. ROSENCRANZ will propose a constitutional amendment declaring that polygamy, like slavery, is forever prohibited. Unless this amendment is so worded as to confer upon Congress some power which it has not already to provide for the enforcement of the law against polygamy, it will not in the least strengthen the arm of the Government in Utah. The Mormon jury is the palladium of polygamy. Where juries are controlled by a local theocracy, and bring in their verdicts according to a higher law,

which bids them spurn and disobey the laws of the United States, the latter will not be worth the paper they are written on.

THE SPEAKERSHIP. The contest over the Speakership is the most important political event in the year. Its result will decide not only the legislation of the session but the whole political future of the country.

As Congress is now constituted, all business is done by committees, and the chairman of each committee is almost invariably a majority of the committee. The power of the Speaker in the appointment of committees is greater than any power exercised by the President. At a critical time like the present, more depends on the Speaker than on the President.

ASSOCIATIONS are forming at home and abroad for the betterment of the poor in lodgings, other necessities, adjustment of rents, &c. I don't know but what a strong organization is needed for the betterment of the condition of the rich and wealthy. Think for a moment of the hardships they have to undergo. The calls of numerous kinds, social and otherwise, that are made upon time, attention and pocket-book. The huddling together of unfortunate wrecks in ball-rooms and theaters, the feminine portion of the crowds being for the most part the most destitute. There is a competition, the gamblers of Monte Carlo offer to the baccarat establishments of the former City. In fact the assertion is made that Nives lives almost by the sale of the right of keeping baccarat banks, at which swindling is not only much easier, but vastly more frequent than at Monte Carlo.

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The coming session must deal with the surplus. This involves the whole question of revenue, the tariff, the finances, taxation, every pecuniary interest of the people in the Government.

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The election of CARLISLE will be a vindication of the principles of Democracy. The election of RANDALL will be really a Republican triumph.

The contest over the Speakership will settle the question of the Presidency. If the Democrats cannot elect a Speaker with a majority in Congress, there is little reason to hope that they can elect a President.

LOOKING AHEAD. The present condition of the gas question is this:

South of Washington avenue the consumers are in the hands of a soulless and extortionate monopoly, which charges \$2.50 per thousand feet for bad gas on dishonest measurement, and which will continue to charge it until its charter expires or until Judge LUREK's decision is reversed.

Now, under these circumstances, what advantage is the city to derive from rushing in with a charter which will not change the situation until 1890? Why are we called on to surrender, without any consideration, in 1884, a right of which we will not know the value until 1890?

It will not help the consumers north of Washington avenue, for they are already getting gas at the price named in the new ordinance.

It will not help the people south of Washington avenue, for the new company does not pretend that it can furnish them with gas.

It will not help the city as a gas consumer, for the city is bound by contracts. It will not help the city's revenue.

It will help a few corporations who are trying to get for nothing a franchise of untold value.

We insist that the city shall not rashly give away its chief financial asset.

Why Not? From the New York Word.

Mr. Blaine opposes the distribution of the surplus revenue among the States, but proposes that the same should be distributed among the Federal Government and would reduce the burden of real estate from State taxation. But why not relieve real estate by a State and local tax on incomes, keep the internal revenue receipts in the Federal Treasury and lessen the burden on consumers of tea, sugar, coffee and all necessaries of life?

POLITICAL DRIFT.

GEORGE FRANCIS TRAVIS is supporting RANDALL for Speaker with poetry.

The Mormon lobby at Washington has plenty of money and a very fair article of liquor.

JOE BLACKKURN is of opinion that the statute of limitations will shut Mr. Tilden out in 1884.

EX-GOVERNOR GOLEBY wants Congress to vote \$1,000,000 to complete the Hennepin Canal. I would like to see the canal completed and that power is backing the claims of Prince Karageorgewich, the Serbian pretender, for the next appointment.

JUDGE FORAKER will probably receive the complimentary vote of the Republicans of Ohio for United States Senator.

MR. SPRINGER is in hard luck like Sam Cox, and says he is not likely to be elected unless they can support him, "for he is not nowable."

Eight of George's ten members are for CARLISLE in spite of all that Joe Brown, Gordon and the Georgia railroads could do to influence them for RANDALL.

The current Republican cry is: "Don't articulate the tariff question; agitate with all your might the bloody-shirt and sectional-hate business. DOWN WITH CARLISLE."

PROMOTERS of the Second Amendment in Ohio have been doing some unofficial investigation of the late vote, and have recounted the ballots in a number of counties. The result encourages them to believe that with a fair count the Prohibition Amendment was carried.

THEY have a summary way of disposing of the position of chaplain in the next Senate of New York. He incloses to each member-elect a specimen copy of a prayer and of a sermon, and urges that no other denomination has been as earnest and united in its devotion to the Republican party as have the Methodists.

THE BOSTON Republican voted for Speaker, the Boston Transcript (Deppen) says: "As Keifer proposes to lose nothing by excessive modesty, the Bostonians as members of the House should take especial delight in showing their indignation at his pertinacity. Keifer should be jammed out of sight, and his name and reputation offend the people."

GEN. ROSENCRANZ will propose a constitutional amendment declaring that polygamy, like slavery, is forever prohibited. Unless this amendment is so worded as to confer upon Congress some power which it has not already to provide for the enforcement of the law against polygamy, it will not in the least strengthen the arm of the Government in Utah. The Mormon jury is the palladium of polygamy. Where juries are controlled by a local theocracy, and bring in their verdicts according to a higher law,

SATURDAY CHAT.

I notice the statement that Newport is becoming a winter as well as a summer resort, but in the former season the inhabitants, who are looking for means of diversion, are weary of the same for mental ill rather than physical suffering. It so happens that the divorce laws of Rhode Island are lax, and when the New Yorker or Bostonian or Philadelphian becomes weary of his or her matrimonial burdens, a trip to Newport, and a residence there of a year, the only pleasure being a slight interference with the pleasures of the season is sufficient to make him feel that he has made a most delightful arrangement than could have so advantageously a resort in proximity to a great city. It is a place to find a mate in summer, and a place to get rid of one in winter. St. Louis society should study this aspect of social life.

ASSOCIATIONS are forming at home and abroad for the betterment of the poor in lodgings, other necessities, adjustment of rents, &c. I don't know but what a strong organization is needed for the betterment of the condition of the rich and wealthy. Think for a moment of the hardships they have to undergo. The calls of numerous kinds, social and otherwise, that are made upon time, attention and pocket-book. The huddling together of unfortunate wrecks in ball-rooms and theaters, the feminine portion of the crowds being for the most part the most destitute. There is a competition, the gamblers of Monte Carlo offer to the baccarat establishments of the former City. In fact the assertion is made that Nives lives almost by the sale of the right of keeping baccarat banks, at which swindling is not only much easier, but vastly more frequent than at Monte Carlo.

PRINCESS LOUISE has a souvenir of her Canadian life in the shape of a rare and choice collection of Canada birds. She has specimens of one hundred and two different species, and game birds and small birds of brilliant plumage.

The collection has been set up in an attractive style and will adorn the apartments of the Princess at Kensington Palace.

THE WEEK ABROAD.

THE SUNDAY DISPATCH.

FOOTLIGHTS AND GREEN ROOM.

Cherub's Weekly Budget of Amusement Gossip.

Recent Successes and Failures—Movements of Stars and Stock—Notes from the Musical World—Current and Coming Sensations.

By Telegraph to the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK. December 1.—"Rigoletto" was rehearsed at the Metropolitan Opera House last night, Mme. Sembrich singing the part of Gilda. Miss Seachell that of Madalena, and Signs Stagno and DePluente filling the roles of the Duke and Rigoletto. The performance was a brilliant one. The audience filled the entire house, and Mme. Sembrich was recalled several times, being compelled to sing the "Caro Nome" twice. The quartet of the last act was received with a storm of applause.

GERSTER AS ELVIRA.

"The Puritan" was given at the Academy, with Mme. Gerster as Elvira, for the first time. She has been in New York, but has seldom been heard to better advantage. The audience here was also a large one, and Sig. Galassi was a most excellent Ricardo. At the opera, "La Gioconda" and "La Nymphe de Diane" were given by Mme. Brambilla, Mme. DeSortis and a corps de ballet. At the matinee performance to-day at the Academy, Miss Patti will sing in "Traviata" and at the Metropolitan "Lothringen" will be repeated.

THE THEATERS.

The week has been an agreeably attractive one in a general sense, Modjeska playing an interesting engagement at the Grand Opera House. It would have been more so had she confined herself to emotional drama. Miss Minnie Maddern made a moderate success at Pope's in "The Puritan Maid," and emphasized her standing as a bright and talented little woman; while Sol Smith Russell repeated his well-known sketches, which are always laughable, although his drama, "Edgewood Folks," has become tiresome, not to say dreary. "The Devil's Auction" has been a great hit in the spectacular line at the People's, and Pat Rooney and his assistants have afforded a clever variety performance at the Standard. At Edwards' Comique and Gregory's Dime Museum good entertainments have been provided at very low figures and the general patronage has been very large.

At the Olympic next week Harry Lucy and Emily Riggs will return and reproduce their "bad dig" in one of the "Planter's Wife." This dig is one of the most successful successes developed under Mr. Daly's methods and systems, and after much brilliant work in his stock made a remarkable success in the hands of others. His latest and most important success has been in "The Planter's Wife," and her acting in that play, while full of grace and finish, is marked by the subtlety of the dramatic emotions strength shown by an actress in that role. Mr. Lucy does a very handsome and forcible piece of work as the planter-soldier, and the cast is a very strong one generally. The play is a good one, but the author did not allow the obstacles of impossibility to interfere with his constructing one of the best acting dramas written in late years. The week will be Sunday evening.

At Pope's Theater next week's attraction will be joined with delight by the lovers of pure unadulterated fun, and I know of no bigger here than the "Green Room Fun" and his fellow consumers afford. "Green Room Fun" is one of the most rollicking and amusing extravaganzas on the stage, and Salsbury's sketch of the veteran manager and his wife is a rich piece of comedy and humor. His comic songs are exceedingly good, and his death scene as the Indian chief is a rich piece of grotesque. Mr. Salsbury is a man of a good deal of animal humor and is one of the best comedians on the stage. Miss Nellie McHenry is another strong attraction and her vigorous style in comedy has made her a favorite with the public, and the other members will appear in new musical selections, dances and specialties. Especial care will be taken with the unique combination of music and action, when Salsbury "dies all over the stage." The week will be bright and pleasant one for Pope's patrons. The Troubadours appear to-morrow evening.

Do Howard Athenaeum Company, one of the complete and interesting of its kind, will open its doors to the public on December 1st at St. Louis favorite, Warris, will come to the People's tonight and will give the patrons of the theater a particularly rich treat in the form of a variety program. The names of the various acts will be announced in the paper.

As some of the variety stage, indeed, of the species are single acts alone in their work and several of them are said to be brilliant in their way. We have shown more than ordinarily good variety this season, and the Howard company is said to equal any and exceed most of them.

Frank Newell, a well-known agent and manager, comes to the Standard next week with a new variety troupe, and will begin to-morrow night.

An exchange says of the play and company: "Of course the performance around which centers the attraction of the evening, is that of 'The Devil's Auction.' The scenes of laughter brought out of this nonsensical piece of comedy to last a whole month. The principal characters are Michael Muldoon and Michael MacLay, taken by Wallack and his son. Their representations are typical Irishmen, full of generosity and impliments, and when the two meet in the use of Muldoon the fun begins, and each takes the other by the hand and they both have a hand in the handshakes, red and the pain drops. Their jokes, gags, witcisms, puns come in quick succession, and fly around the interior of the stage, which latter can scarce for a moment, in which the few seasons she has been known to the

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From the following editorial item in the Central Baptist it seems that the pastors of the Central and First Baptist churches are to meet together with other ministers.

"I shall witness at the top. Protestantism is dying out among its preachers and expatriates. Nearly all the independent Protestant clergymen to-day are finding their way through the contortions of the Episcopal church, by which the old inspiring fanatism is gone. They are simply dullards doomed to everlasting talk with never a thought."

BAPTIST NOTES.

Dr. McDonald will preach at the First Methodist Church to-morrow morning.

SECRETS OF THE SCAFFOLD

Does Unconsciousness Immediately Follow Decapitation by the Guillotine?

Surgeon Valpeau's Astounding Experiment and Its Appalling Results.

Translated from Le Figaro.

The prisoner was one of those who do not play cards; neither fear nor hope was discernible in his face. He was 34 years of age; dark of middle height and very well built; the veins of his forehead were prominent enough to turn slightly gray; his eyes were nervous, rarely opened to their full extent; his forehead bespoke little reasoning power; his speech was low and mumbled; his colorless face, his physiognomy had the stiff expression of a man formally precise in his utterances; his manners implied studied refinement; he was a man of few words. La Pommereau had been condemned to suffer the extreme penalty under Articles 301 and 302 of the penal code, for having administered fatal doses of digitalis to a lady of his acquaintance, premeditatedly and through means of avowals.

Suddenly a sound of side-hurts echoed upon the pavement of the corridor; the turning lock squeaked harshly; the door half-opened; there was a glimmering of bayonets in the penumbra without, and M. Bequeune, director of the prison, and M. de la Pommereau, threshold accompanied by a visitor, whom M. de la Pommereau recognized at once glances as the illustrious surgeon, Armand Valpeau. The two colleagues were left alone, face to face.

"M. de la Pommereau," said Dr. Valpeau, "your release reveals your coolness and firmness of character. The mission I have undertaken (and which, I trust, will be kept secret) has for its object a sort of offer, which even though it seems to you a mind-widening in the creative convictions of our science, and wholly free from the fantastic dread of Death—will seem rather than criminally extravagant or criminal." Both men kept silent; each other, I believe; and you will therefore take my proposition into serious consideration, however singular it may seem to you at first."

"You have all my attention, sir," replied La Pommereau.

"You are certainly well aware," continued Valpeau, "of one of the most interesting topics of modern physiology is whether the least gleam of memory, of thought, of veritable sensibility persists in the brain of man after the severing of the head from the body."

At this unexpected overture, the condemned prisoner started; then, recovering his calmness, replied:

"Well, just as you came in, doctor, I happened to be discussing that very problem with myself—a problem, which now, of course, has a two-fold interest for me."

"Yes; I have often, indeed, pondered over your views, disquieted, when you lectured upon the remains of an executed criminal."

"Ah! Then to the point! Have you any precise knowledge, from the surgical point of view concerning the guillotine?"

"No, sir."

"I have scrupulously studied the apparatus myself, today, completely. Valpeau with another companion, "said M. de la Pommereau, "witness that it is a perfect instrument. The knife-blade, acting at once like a wedge, a scythe, and a weasel, insures the patient's neck in three-fifths in three-fifths. The decapitated man can feel no more pain from this lightning shock than a soldier can feel for the moment in battle when his arm is carried away by a round-shot. Sensation is not an obscure, by reason of lack of time to feel."

"But, perhaps there is the after-pain—the one that follows? What say you, Dr. Valpeau?"

"In La Fontaine who asked if this very rapid decapitation has not more painful consequences than beheading with a sword?"

"Barard did summary justice to that question," replied Valpeau. "As for me I have the firm conviction—based upon a hundred experiences, and upon general observations—that the instant the head is severed, it instantly produces the most absolute anesthesia insensibility. Even the syncope itself, produced by the loss of four or five liters of blood, which is the maximum loss of blood with a force of circular traction of a meter in diameter, ought sufficiently to convince the most timid person of the fact. As for the unconscious movements of the fleshly mass, they are evidently due to the spasmodic crises, these no more constitute an indication than the quivering of an amputated leg, of which the muscles and nerves will contract, and the patient will totter about the platform, the horse sarà reared at the electric odor of blood; and the sound was still vibrating when the gory head of the victim was already severed from the body, and the hands redressing his fingers his cuffs, his clothes with the gushing of blood."

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In name of God and humanity, repeat that sign twice," cried Valpeau, almost wildly.

The eyelids parted, as under the impulse of an supreme internal effort; but the lid did not rise again. Second by second the face became more rigid, more icy—motionless.

All was over. Dr. Valpeau gave back to the firmament the carnage he had witnessed. The dog, for instance, those organs, are undoubtedly the life of the body. But we have too many ambiguous cases on record to cases as disquieting as they are incomprehensible, to allow myself to be easily persuaded that the executioner's blow, when, called for, can be fatal.

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OUR BOOK COLUMN.

Prince's History of New Mexico—Cook's Life of George Eliot.

Literary News and Notes—Personal Notes of Authors—Books Received.

Prince's History of New Mexico.

A "History of New Mexico" by L. Bradford Prince, president of the Historical Society of New Mexico, and one of the late Chief Justices, is one of the latest additions to the historical literature of the country. The book (12 mo., Ramsey, Miller & Hudson, Kansas City) has reached its second edition. As the author says, it is rather a series of "historical sketches," than a history of New Mexico. The period embraced is from the earliest records to the American occupation of the territory in 1857. During the intervening period between the incursion of Cabeza de Vaca, the first European that ever set foot in the country, and the American occupation in 1857, there are gaps that historical research has failed to fill, owing to the loss and destruction of all records. The author has made no effort to compile a collection of sea terms and their definitions, entitled "Sailors' Language."

D. Appleton & Co. announce that the second edition of their "History of the People of the United States" will not be published before next spring.

S. E. Cassino & Hall will publish early in December a book on Egypt by A. Birch Chapman & Hall will publish in the new edition of Sir J. Gardner Wilkinson's "Manners and Customs of the Ancient Egyptians," revised and corrected by Dr. Samuel Birch.

The Adventures of a Girl in Egypt, by Mrs. Lynn Linton Willcox, shortly, under the title "A Girl of the Period," a book of essays on modern society.

Mrs. Sydne Lever, a daughter of the late Charles Lever, proposed to publish a volume of poems to be entitled "Flame and Fire."

Mr. Clark Russell is nearly ready for publication a collection of sea terms and their definitions, entitled "Sailors' Language."

A. Austin Dobson is not only to make a collection of selected poems from his "Cambridge and Other Poems," but he has also published, it will be read with pleasure and profit by all who have taken an interest in the adventurous exploits of the Spanish during the early part of this century. It introduces us to a race of people unlike the tribes that surrounded them, and resembling in marked degree the ancient Mexicans. Many traces of ancient Mexican civilization and Mexican cultivation were found among them by those who penetrated into their country, yet, in many respects, they were a simple, dim-sighted race of people. It is natural to suppose that they were an offshoot from the Toltec or the Aztecs, who, in the course of general migration, settled along the rivers of the Andes, and thence spread out until they reached the southward. There is no other way to account for the existence of such an intelligent race of people as those that surrounded them. When the Europeans first entered the country, the natives had already built up a high civilization of stone and adobe. The houses were from three to five stories high, and contained several porticos, and other structures.

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Charles Scribner & Sons publish this week "The Life of Luther," by Prof. Julius Kostlin, which is claimed to be the most accurate biography of the great Reformer and the Reformation ever published. They have also ready "Music in England," and "Music in America," by Prof. Frederic Louis Ritter of Vienna.

Brooks Brothers have just published "Donald and Dorothy," by Henry Zinck, in the "Family Library" series, and "The Egyptian Shrine," a biography of the celebrated Egyptologist and translator of the Bible, by P. W. Claydon. In their pretty classic series they have just issued Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress" and "Robinson Crusoe."

Books Received.

[From the Publisher.] CHATTEBOURG: JUNIOR: E. Worthington, 770 New York, 1883, \$1.00. THE KARABAL: OR, THE TRUE SCIENCE OF LIGHT: An Introduction to the Philosophy and Theosophy of Light, by James Macmillan, New York: E. Worthington, 1883.

KIRKBY and UNTILY: Complaints of all kinds presented by Hop Busters. Try it.

WON THE SQUATTER.

A Traveller Has a Pretty Hard Time With the Old Fellow.

From the Arkansas Traveller.

"Can you tell me when the train comes along?" asked a travel-stained man of an old fellow who sat on a pile of crosses near an Arkansas railroad.

"Yes, I rockin' I ken."

"What did you ask the old fellow?" asked the traveler, after a moment's silence.

"Yes, I rockin' I will."

"Well, what time?"

"Well, when you come, mister."

"What time does the train come along here?"

"I dunno."

"You said you did."

"I say you did."

"Say I didn't."

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"When you when you when it comes along, an' of both' us yer is here when she comes, an' will, but I rockin' yer ken see her as well as I ken."

"You think you are very smart, don't you?"

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FRATERNITY FACTS.

St. Louis Lodge, No. 7, Knights of Pythias, will
confer the first rank this evening.

Unter Lodge, No. 239, Knights of Honor, will
have their third annual meeting this evening.

Missouri Lodge, No. 4, A. O. U. W. will confer
the Master Workman degree-to-night.

There will be considerable fun to-night at
Clan McDonald, No. 6, Order Scotts Clans,

will have an important session to-night.

Lincoln Grove, No. 25, Ancient Order Druids,
will have their annual meeting this evening.

Assumption Commandery, No. 16, Knights Templar,
assemble at the asylum at 7:30 this evening.

Good Hope Lodge, No. 218, A. F. & A. M.,
will have their annual meeting this evening.

Court Masonic Lodge, No. 160, United Order of Fore-
sters will introduce several strangers this even-
ing.

The bulletin reads H. O. T. to Bonaparte
Council, No. 13, Legion of Honor, which meets to-
night.

Alderman Commandery, No. 18, Knights
Templar, will entertain a few guests this evening, with
election of officers.

George Washington Council, No. 214, American
Legion of Honor, will have this evening and
tomorrow evening.

Cherokee Tribe, No. 4, Improved Order End
Men, will light the twigs of B—tonight, and
three pairs will be present.

Miss Washington Lodge, D. B. (Anderson),
meet to-night at Fourth and Locust streets.

There will be initiatory work, and
the officers will be present.

The members of Lafayette Lodge, No. 415,
Right Wing, will attend the funeral of
Brother Andrew Wren, to-morrow at 1 p.m.

The Association of Dictators met last night
with Mount Olive Lodge No. 88, Knights of
Honor, and the officers were present.

This evening Our Neighbor, Lodge No. 233, Good
Tempairs, gave a basket social. Good music has been pro-
vided.

Bro. Louis Sieber addressed the members and
visitors of Benton Council, No. 5, Order Chosen
Friends, last night upon the theme "Self made
Men." The lecture was interesting to the last edge.

Our Lodge, No. 123, I. O. O. F., will have an
order of business meeting this evening.

The Lodge is just doing its level best to make a fine
report next term, and will eclipse some of the
best lodges in their work. Also having a large
attendance.

SILK Hosiery—Trade-mark F—at Nugent's.

SOCIETY GOSSIP.

Mrs Alice Hardcastle is visiting relatives
in Sedalia. Mrs. Millsaps have returned
from abroad.

Mr. Edward Rines of Mexico is visiting
friends in the city.

Miss Alice Mogassi has been visiting
friends in Illinois.

Mrs. Gov. Crittenden is visiting Mrs. J. M.
Nutt.

Miss Henry Pettes spent last week with
relatives in Illinois.

Mrs. S. D. Donald of Topeka, is visiting
friends in the city.

Miss Hogan was spending last week with
Mrs. Carlin, of Carrollton.

Miss Clara Robertson visited her brother
Mr. Nasby, who is not well.

Miss Wm. J. Smith was soon to visit her
mother at Montgomery, Ala.

A surprise party was given on Wednesday
evening to Miss Fannie Brown, at her resi-
dence on the corner of Pine and Locust streets.

The tables were beautifully decorated
with flowers and presents.

Miss Besse Forbes of Alton was a guest
at the Hill-Crawford wedding.

Mrs. C. H. Hodges of Carrollton spent last
week with friends in the city.

Miss Kate Wilson of Lexington, Mo., is
spending the winter here.

Miss Anna Wooridge, No. 2614 Locust
street, is visiting here.

Miss Jessie Wallace of Vincennes, Ind., is
visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. F.
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Miss Etta Williams, Miss Galena, is
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